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# A Last Glimpse of Oahu

By A. Hume Ford.

eight-mile circuit of the Pauoa trail- give their time and work for Hawaii without desire of reward, and I mean and I completed the walk more fully to work with these men. convinced than ever before of the in- In Switzerland every citizen has a Bureau in Hawaii-not so much for its mountain walks leading from the Switzerland is the best governed counknows where they are?

rise one morning set out with Dr. Armiorganization did nothing-and that alas seems to be the too frequent thing in Honolulu. I say it from bitter knowl-

Individual effort, however, is com-Individual effort, nowever, is compared to the control of the specific property ing to the front, and I believe the outdoor man, I would tell the people with hespitality.) A quarter of a mile with the knife, and they will help to reactionary days of a monopoly by the of Honolulu that the Oahu Walking above I struck the William Castle man-make this a perfect trail the entire chosen, or appointed few, to do "good works' in Honolulu are drawing to a

Whitcomb Riley spoke desparagingly

"Organized charity skimped and iced In the name of a cautious conservative Christ."

Editor Advertiser: My last morn-cial duty, did his part and did it well. ing in Honolulu was spent making the Many I know personally are eager to

creasing need of a Government Tourist duty imposed upon him by the state, it may be that some worthy man is expected to do nothing more for his counbenefit to the tourist, as for its benefit try than to look after the village to the man who lives in Hawaii. No pump, but he is expected to perform that city in the world has such marvelous duty to the best of his ability, and try in the world. Every man has an terminus of its every street, but who interest and earns his right to criticize. For a year or more I have been Some time ago I read of the com- studying my fellow men in Honolulu, pletion of the Pauoa trail and at sun. I know now what many of them are best fitted to do for Hawaii and I mean to call upon them-regardless as to tage to make its circuit. We rode to whether or not the work they set out the end of the Emma street car line- to complete is that neglected by some which was mistake number one; we other person, or organization, or the Territory itself. The thing is to get it should have gotten out and taken the done. The signs along the glorious road opposite the Mormon church. Oahu trails for instance. For more Then we clambered up Punchbowl hill, than a year I have sought to have the walked by the Van Dine residence, officials and organizations, whose duty which was mistake number two, for sign posts put at least at the beginwe passed the beginning of the Pauoa ning of these trails. The tourist and trail without knowing that we did so, the citizen still wander about aimlessthere being no sign to guide. I am ly seeking trails that should be plainly informed by the ladies of the Kilohana marked for all. It was my good for-Art League that they organized a lit- tune to be in at the organization of tle society a year or so ago with the the Oahu walking club, which I beobject of placing signs on the Punch- lieve will yet become the one organizabowl and other trails, but that some tion of greatest benefit to the visitor older established organization that was and the man at home-in Oahu-and talking of doing all sorts of things for my good boys at the Outrigger Club Honolulu, protested that the ladies have also promised to shoulder signs were encroaching on their field-result, and plant them along the trails leadladies disorganized their society, other ing out of Honolulu, not only that, but both they and the Walking Club boys offer their services, free of charge, Sat- ice water on the veranda. (All Castle beauty. Pauca valley is below you on urdays and Sundays, to the stranger in mansions on Oahn outside of Honolulu one side, Nuuanu on the other.

As an instance of the value of the Club (an organization without dues) has sent to the Coast for 500 bright trail, which was built for the public there is need of the signboard. The shining aluminum tags, that long resist rust, and these will be tied to lantana bushes along the little used trail down George, and the famous Koolau moun- The boys with the signboards should from Palolo crater and elsewhere. These tain by James Castle. flashing in the sun will show the wand. I made the mistake of going back for just above the Adams Japanese bungaerer his path for miles ahead. If there the doctor, poor fellow; he was hungry low. Here there is a Clive Davies sign, is one man who should be on the Pro- (no one at home at James Castle's) stating that the trail will be closed one motion Committee it is Ed. Towse, the and wanted his breakfast, so we clam- week in September of each year. If to other organizations that, in their man of the Oahu Walking Club. It is bered down to the trail and wended our he or his brother would only donate over zealousness to crush out indi- a duty that this organization, calling it- way back. Some distance from the another sign stating that the trail leads vidual effort and monopolize everything, self a Tourist Information Bureau, owes main road we found the big sign Mr. to Konahuenui or around Pauoa valley make men more narrow, less capable to the visitor to have one man at least Castle has placed at the beginning of it would be a public benefaction. The and less reliant. I learned in Hawaii in its makeup to represent the inter- rail, but it can't be seen from the trail is indistinct from this point manka

who knows Oahu its highways and by- the trail, and I adjourned to the outed him for a year and today he is the boards made, and these I took with me man to whom I shall send men from at 6 a, m, the last day of my stay in the states who really wish to see Oa- Honolulu, when Dr. Armitage and I ganize an exeursion for the stranger trail. As we got off the car at the Committee, although that organization at the corner of the road and paid him announces in the December Paradise of to nail it up to properly direct all who but simply includes this work as a nui. Then on we trudged, came to the small part of its endeavor." In this spot where the true trail diverges, op Towse on its board to lead in securing once more I nailed up one of my homefrom the Legislature a Government made signs, with the earnest hope that over that work which in New Zealand, see and improve. As it is, I place the and Australia, has proved almost the big- stencil box at the Outrigger Club at gest and most successful thing those the disposal of my lieutenants, Kenprogressive countries have ever under- neth Atkinson, Kenneth Brown, Guy taken; and permit me, as a tourist who Rothwell, and F. A. Cottrell, with the has for a decade studied tourists needs request that they take it with them Towse as head of such a bureau in 24 x 6 inch laths of wood painted don't, A man like Towse to direct, from the Punchbowl side, Pensacola quarters) and Trent is a splendid in- Diamond Head trail and at Kalihi road door man, would mean that travel in Hawaii would be made easy to all. I know the men and their methods, and place this suggestion before thoughtful people, including Messrs Trent and Towse, whom these lines may surprise at first reading; but there's common sense behind them. Towse knows the country and Trent understands handling tourists, and as a tourist I claim the right to ask for the men who can be

most use to tourists. tage and I, missed it; we wandered up other places where trails enter or di-Tantalus, struck the James Castle man- verge. The walk back along the ridge sion, where I left the doctor sipping of Pacific Heights is one of startling are quasi-public resthouses, the name trail is indistinct in places, but Towse Castle in Hawaii being synonymous has boys in his walking club expert sion, and was directed to the Pauoa distance. At several places nearer town by William Castle, as was, I believe, the Pauca trail should be followed twice, zigzag up Punchbowl, by his brother there are two views, going and coming.

that a man put in charge of some spe- ests of the tourist and visitor. A man road. We learned the real turn-off to

ways, as does Ed. Towse. I have watch- agger grounds to have a couple of sign-He will put himself out to or- once more assayed to follow the Pauoa and delight to go with him-his place Mormon church I gave one sign to the it would seem is on the Promotion Chinaman who keeps the little store the Pacific-that "The Hawaii Promo- wish to go over the Pauoa trail, around tion Committee is not a tourist bureau, Punchbowl, to Tantalus, on to Konahue- Corner Beretania and Alakea Streets case it can best aid Hawaii by having posite the Van Dine residence, where Tourist Bureau for Hawaii, to take some one more wealthy than I would many lands, to nominate Edward over the Pauoa trail, as well as several Hawaii. There would be something white, and make guiding signs along doing, and the work of the Promotion the trail where they are most needed. Committee would be aided and aug. Mr. Ballentyne of the Rapid Transit mented many fold. Let everyone get Company has promised a good sign at away from the idea that a new organi- the entrance of the road to the trail at zation means less work for Hawaii; it the Mormon church, Emma street, and and an office like Trent's (a half of it street. Will he also place a directing pointing to Wailele trail?

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the other day when an Elderly Gentleman backed me up against the corner cigar store and enquired if I was the "OPPORTUNITY" Man. I admitted the soft impeachment and also smiled widely. The E. G. grabbed me by the coat lapel and delivered himself to this effect: "There never was a gold mine. There isn't one today. There never was a cent made in any kind of mining. The only reason a gold mine is called a gold mine is because people are foolish enough to dump their good gold into it. They never get any out. And as often as not there's no mine at all. He knew. He had invested in mining stock once. The thing was a fake, of course. No more mining stock for him. Not in a thousand years."

Now, wouldn't that upper-cut you? Where his Nibs thought the world's present supply of gold came from, gets me. Perhaps he thought it all came from Bishop's Bank. The E. G., nevertheless, is representative of a class of people who swallow the bait of any fly-by-night fakir, or wildcatter who peddles out cheap stock and promises the earth, or at least a thousand dollars for every one put in. His proposition may be the wildest kind of "Wildcat," his roseate statements entirely unsupported, his "mine" a pipe-dream, and he himself belong in jail, but if his stuff is only cheap enough—a cent or two a share—they will buy it. Such people are not investors—they are "suckers" buying experience. But they hurt legitimate mining because ever afterwards they will keep on telling how they "invested" in mining and lost their money.

With regard to the Elderly Gentleman I steered him along to my Office, showed him ore specimens, photos, charts, maps, Government Reports, and statements of Honolulu people who have visited the "MAYFLOWER." He revised his conviction about gold mining to the extent that there was, at least, one gold mine, and that we owned it. Before he flew, he broke in for 1000 Shares. Other mining stocks and other Mayflowers can be bought at less prices, but our Mayflower is the Mayflower Quartz & Channel Mining Co. and the price is 25 Cents a Share. Drive a tack in that fact.

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